JUNGLE PRESCRIBED BURN 08/19/2006 UPDATE

Start Date: Thursday, August 10, 2006

Location: Ferron Creek drainage area located near Ferron Canyon Road between Willow Lake and Ferron

Reservoir

Narrative: In order to reach resource objectives, between now and the end of September, there will be additional burning. The burn will be ignited by either hand or helitorch (aerial ignition). By burning under controlled conditions, effects of the fire can be managed. While the prescribed burning is taking place, the burn area will be closed to the public. At the present time, there continues to be active fire in the area. Fire crews are monitoring the burn and are continually removing hazard trees.

Closures: The area has been opened back up to the public but may be subject to closure. Visitors are asked to use caution due to tree and smoke hazard. Please follow the directions of the fire personnel. Please be aware that travel in this area is at your own risk and you may be asked to leave at any time. There may be delays or temporary closures on Ferron Canyon Road, Forest Development Road (FDR) #022. Vehicles with high clearance may be routed around to the South Side Road, FDR #043. In addition, Willow Lake Campground, as well as, the trails in the Georges Fork, Cove Creek and Singleton Flat areas may be closed.

Roads and Trails affected by Fire Closure:

- Ferron Canyon Road (Forest Service Road (FSR) No. 022) Dairy Point to Ferron Reservoir
- Duck Fork Road (FSR No. 049)
- Singleton Flat Road (FSR No. 109)
- Hunters Highway (FSR No. 314)
- Singleton Flat Trail (Forest Service Trail (FST) No. 71
- Cove Lake Trail (Forest Service Trail No. 73)
- Willow Bunch Trail (Forest Service Trail No. 74)
- Dairy Trail (Forest Service Trail No. 117)

Prescribed Burns: Prescribed burns are used for a variety of resource benefits including improved wildlife habitat, reduced fuel buildup from insect killed trees, and to support ecosystem diversity. Aspen stands provide critical habitat for many wildlife species, forage for livestock and wildlife, and to protect stream flows in critical watershed. Aspen is being lost by encroachment of conifers. Aspen regenerates by sprouting following a controlled burn or other disturbance.

NOTE: Fire managers would like to remind everyone to be especially careful and fire conscious while recreating this summer.

Contact Information: If you need further information visit <u>www.utahfireinfo.gov</u> or please contact the Ferron Ranger District at 435/384-2372.

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